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DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS
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Claim 58 (new): A method for distributing multimedia content, the method comprising:

storing an item of multimedia content; *as firmed content*

firstly transcoding said multimedia content for playback on a first multimedia device to produce a firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content;

generating a content ID of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content;

storing said content ID in association with said stored multimedia content;

receiving instructions from said first multimedia device to forward said item of multimedia content to a second multimedia device; and

performing the following in response to said instructions:

accessing said stored content using said content ID; and

~~secondly~~ transcoding said stored content for playback on said second multimedia device.

Claim 59 (new): A method according to claim 58 and wherein said instructions comprise a copy of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content, and said accessing comprises:

generating a received content ID of said copy of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content; and

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looking up said stored content by comparing said received content ID with said content ID.

Claim 60 (new): A method according to claim 58 and wherein said generating a content ID of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content comprises:

applying either of the following to said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content, and producing a result:

a predefined hashing method; and

a predefined fingerprinting method; and

using said result as said content ID.

Claim 61 (new): A method according to claim 59 and wherein said generating a received content ID of said copy of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content comprises:

applying either of the following to said copy of said firstly transcoded version of said multimedia content, and producing a result:

a predefined hashing method; and

a predefined fingerprinting method; and

using said result as said received content ID.

SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED NEW CLAIMS MAY BE FOUND, *INTER ALIA*, AS FOLLOWS: ORIGINALLY FILED CLAIMS 1 AND 8; FIGS. 1A AND 1B; AND PAGES 9 - 11 OF THE DESCRIPTION (REFERRING TO THE APPLICATION AS FILED, PCT PUBLICATION WO 2005/089061.